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FOLLOWING SENT ACTION BANGKOK AND MANILA INFO DEA HQS WASHDC
FEB 6 REPEATED FOR YOUR INFO

QUOTE
AMEMBASSIES FOR DEA, BANGKOK FOR TRAINING OFFICER, SUVA FOR
NARCOTICS COORDINATOR AND PASS TO S/A MANSON, JAKARTA FOR
D.O, DEA FOR ENOF & N.T.I.

E.O. 11652: N/A
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SUBJECT: GFYC-7S-8008, PAPUA NEW GUINEA, LIAISON TRIP

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1. INITIAL ASSESSMENT OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA (PNG) DRUG
SITUATION BY S/A MANSON HAS IDENTIFIED PRINCIPLE PROBLEM AS
NEED FOR TRAINING OF ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL WHO LACK BASIC
IDENTIFICATION TECHNIQUES AND AIDES.
2. RECENT VISIT OF CODEL WOLFF, FOLLOWED BY DEA LIAISON HAS
STIRRED INTEREST OF PNG GOVERNMENT AT HIGH LEVELS REGARDING
POSSIBLE AND POTENTIAL DRUG PROBLEM AREAS.
3. PNG CUSTOMS & ROYAL CONSTABULARY INTEND TO START DRUG
UNITS WITH CLOSE LIAISON AND TO INITIATE SURVEY TO IDENTIFY
PRESENT AND POTENTIAL DRUG PROBLEM AREAS. CUSTOMS HAS ITS OWN
INVESTIGATION DIVISION AND IS UNDER THE DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN
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AFFAIRS & TRADE. THE ROYAL CONSTABULARY HAS RESPONSIBILITY
FOR DOMESTIC (INTERNAL) ENFORCEMENT.

4. ACTION REQUESTED (BRO) BANGKOK REGIONAL OFFICE.

A. PROVIDE INFORMATION REGARDING AVAILABILITY OF SLOTS FOR
PNG CUSTOMS AND ROYAL CONSTABULARY OFFICERS AT UPCOMING DEA

IN-COUNTRY TRAINING PROGRAM SCHEDULED FOR JAKARTA.

B. PROVIDE INFORMATION FROM U.S. CUSTOMS REGARDING ANY NARCOTIC INTRODUCTION COURSES SCHEDULED IN AREA, TO WHICH PNG OFFICERS MAY BE INVITED.

C. ANY POSSIBILITY FOR PART OF DEA TRAINING TEAM TO PROVIDE A SHORT COURSE IN PNG TO CUSTOMS/ROYAL CONSTABULARY OFFICERS AFTER JAKARTA PROGRAM?

D. MDO PLEASE FORWARD BY POUCH C/O NARCOTIC COORDINATORY 10 (TEN) DRUG IDENTIFICATION KITS, AND 10 (TEN) PHAMPLETS - DRUGS OF ABUSE - (THIRD EDITION) FOR DISTRIBUTION TO CUSTOMS/ROYAL CONSTABULARY DRUG ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL OF PNG.

5. EMBASSY NOTE: MANSON'S VISIT WAS VERY WELL RECEIVED BY GPNG. POLICE AND CUSTOMS OFFICIALS AT THE HIGHEST LEVELS WERE CLEARLY DELIGHTED TO MEET HIM. POLICE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS MINISTERS HAD ALREADY CONFERRED ON POSSIBILITY OF TRAINING AND FONMIN HAS REQUESTED OUR ASSISTANCE (SEE REFTTEL). FOREIGN SECRETARY TONY SIAGURU - WHO NORMALLY RATIONS HIS APPOINTMENTS VERY CAREFULLY - SPENT 45 MIN. WITH MANSON AND NARCOTICS COORDINATOR. HE HAS APPOINTED A COMMITTEE TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE THE NARCOTICS PROBLEM.

6. WHILE NARCOTICS CONTROL IS NOT YET A SERIOUS PROBLEM
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IN PNG, THE SERIOUS INTEREST ON PART OF GPNG OFFICIALS MAKE THIS AN OPPORTUNE TIME TO START TRAINING PROGRAMS. OLMSTED
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